GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department – Allegations levelled on Irregular appointment of Sri E.Anil Kumar, Technical Assistant (Tracer) on compassionate grounds – Departmental Proceedings against Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla under the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 39 **Dated: 23-01-2025**

Read the following:-

1. Letter from the ENC, RWS&S, Lr.No.PRR06-28024(31)/31/2023/VIG-VI- ECRWSS, dt.08.05.2024.
2. G.O.Ms.No.09 , PR&RD (Vig.VI) Dept., dt:23/01/2025.

Order :-

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge as Annexure-I. A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of each article of charge is enclosed as Annexure-II. A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed as Annexure-III and IV.

3. Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla is directed to submit written statement of his defense within (10) days from the date of receipt of this G.O.

4. He is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now Retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rules 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte, based on the material available on record.

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6. Attention of Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from any person in respect of any matter dealt within these Proceedings, it will be presumed that, Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the proceedings shall be acknowledged along with Annexure-I, II, III & IV.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla (w.e) through the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Vijayawada, with a request to serve the G.O. immediately on the Charged Officer and obtained dated acknowledgement and send the same to the Government for record.

Copy to
The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, APVC, A.P.Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The PR&RD(Est.II) Department.
The OSD to Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister (PR&RD).
The PS to Principal Secretary.(PR&RD).

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ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH.VIDYA SAGAR, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (FAC), RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DEPARTMENT, KURNOOL, NOW RETIRED AS EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, BAPATLA.

CHARGE:

That Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bapatla, has failed to follow Rules in appointments under the scheme of Compassionate Grounds and the Govt. Circulars, G.Os issued by the Government from time to time. He has issued compassionate appointment orders to Sri E.Anil Kumar, S/o.late E.Nagappa, LV Driver at Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department Circle, Kurnool as Technical Assistant (Tracer) for which the pay scale of the said post will not come under the compassionate appointment. He has also not obtained ratification order from the Government after issue of appointment orders for which act of the then Superintending Engineer which leads to more legal complications to be faced by the Department. Thus, he has shown gross negligence towards discharging his legitimate duties.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH.VIDYA SAGAR, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (FAC), RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DEPARTMENT, KURNOOL, NOW RETIRED AS EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, BAPATLA.

The Superintending Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Circle, Kurnool has submitted a detailed report and stated that Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool, now retired as Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Bapatla has failed to follow the guideline issued by the Government under the scheme of Compassionate Appointments. He has issued compassionate appointment orders to Sri E.Anil Kumar, S/o late E.Nagappa, H.V.Driver as Technical Assistant (Tracer), which category shall not come under the scheme of compassionate appointments, as the pay scale of the Junior Assistant and Tracer are not identical. Further, the then Superintending Engineer has not obtained ratification orders from the Government. after appointment as Tracer, which is mandatory where there is no competency. From this act, it is evident that he has shown gross negligence towards discharging his legitimate duties while issuing orders for compassionate appointment and being a unit officer, he has to guide his subordinates. Due to the above act of the Government. Servant, it leads to more legal complications to be faced by the Government. Thus, Sri Ch.Vidya Sagar, the then Superintending Engineer (FAC), Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Kurnool has willfully violated Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964. Hence the Charge.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH.VIDYA SAGAR, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (FAC), RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DEPARTMENT, KURNOOL, NOW RETIRED AS EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, BAPATLA

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH.VIDYA SAGAR, THE THEN SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (FAC), RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DEPARTMENT, KURNOOL, NOW RETIRED AS EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RURAL WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION DIVISION, BAPATLA.

-NIL-

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